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H.R. 249 — Amendments to the bill to restore the prohibition on the commercial sale and slaughter of wild free-roaming horses and burros

H.R. 249, (sponsored by Rep. Rahall, D-WV), is scheduled to be considered on the House floor today, April 26, 2007, subject to an open rule (H.Res. 331), making in order only those amendments that are pre-printed in the Congressional Record, and allowing one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Below is a summary of the two amendments preprinted in the Record. Amendments are debatable for 10 minutes, unless otherwise noted. Note: summaries are based on RSC staff's review of *actual amendment text*. For a summary of the underlying bill, see a separate RSC document released yesterday.

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Rahall (D-WV). Makes two technical changes to the underlying bill, which do not change the purpose or effect of the legislation.

Price (**R-GA**). Applies PAYGO to the provisions in H.R. 249, requiring all spending in the bill to be offset by decreasing spending elsewhere. Specifically, the amendment states, "No authorization of appropriations made by this Act or other provision of this Act that results in costs to the Federal Government shall be effective except to the extent that this Act provides for offsetting decreases in spending of the Federal Government, such that the net effect of this Act does not either increase the Federal deficit or reduce the Federal surplus."

According to the sponsor's office, "In an effort to control federal funding, this amendment applies PAYGO, requiring that spending in this legislation be offset by reductions in spending elsewhere."

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